

DAWSON HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome, parents of the Class of 2029!



Campus Resources

Each student is assigned an AP and counselor based on their last name. (Posted on our website)

Any AP/counselor can help your student.

Bell schedule can be found online.

School day for students is 7:15-2:35.

Melanie Gordon

Student Support Counselor - Room 1117

Available any time if a student is experiencing a crisis or is dealing with mental health issues.

Suicide prevention hotline (988) printed on the back of every student ID.

IDs

ID cards **MUST** be worn around the neck at all times (students and staff).

Helps every staff member and student know if that person should be in the building or not.

If ID is lost, student must pay (or charge to Skyward) \$5.00 to get a new one.

You can monitor charges in Skyward and the office will call home after the 3rd offense.

Attendance / Tardies

Texas State Law 90% rule applies, but in high school it is by course.

We are required to file truancy charges when a student misses more than 10% of a class. (The student's credits will be denied until the time is made up.) Any part of a day counts as a full day toward truancy.

If a student is not in class when the bell rings they are tardy.

This is cumulative, not by period. Resets at semester. First 5 tardies are warnings and then discipline begins. 15+ tardies = ISS

Exam Exemptions

Freshmen: None in the fall and 2 in the spring.

Note:

- Bonus exemption awarded for perfect attendance (based on 4th period).
- AP Exemptions count as a bonus.

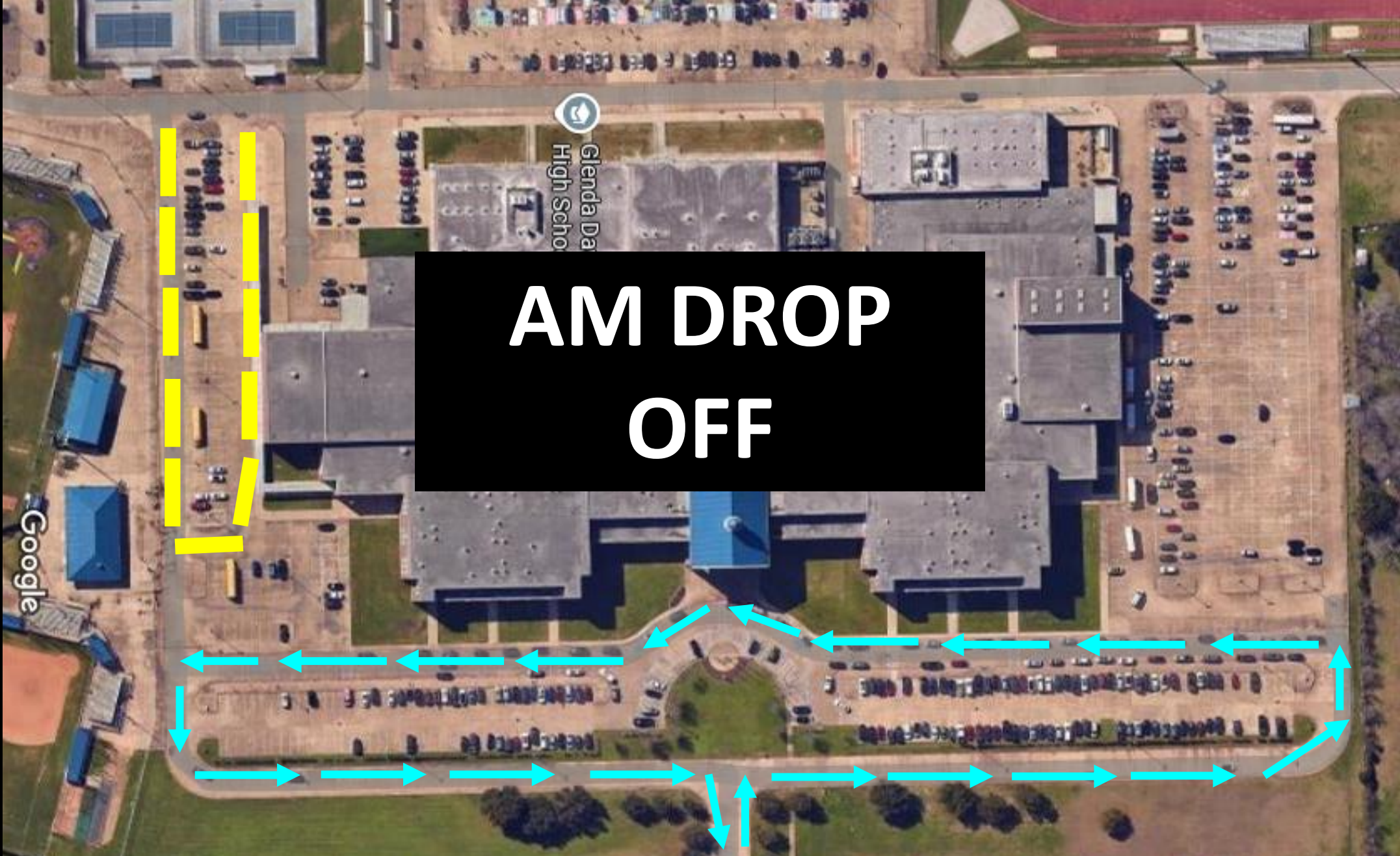
General Criteria to EARN Exemptions:

- No ISS, out-of-school suspension, or ALA.
- All detentions served.
- Must be clear of all fines and fees.
- No more than 4 absences in course.
- Perfect attendance bonus is huge! (70+)

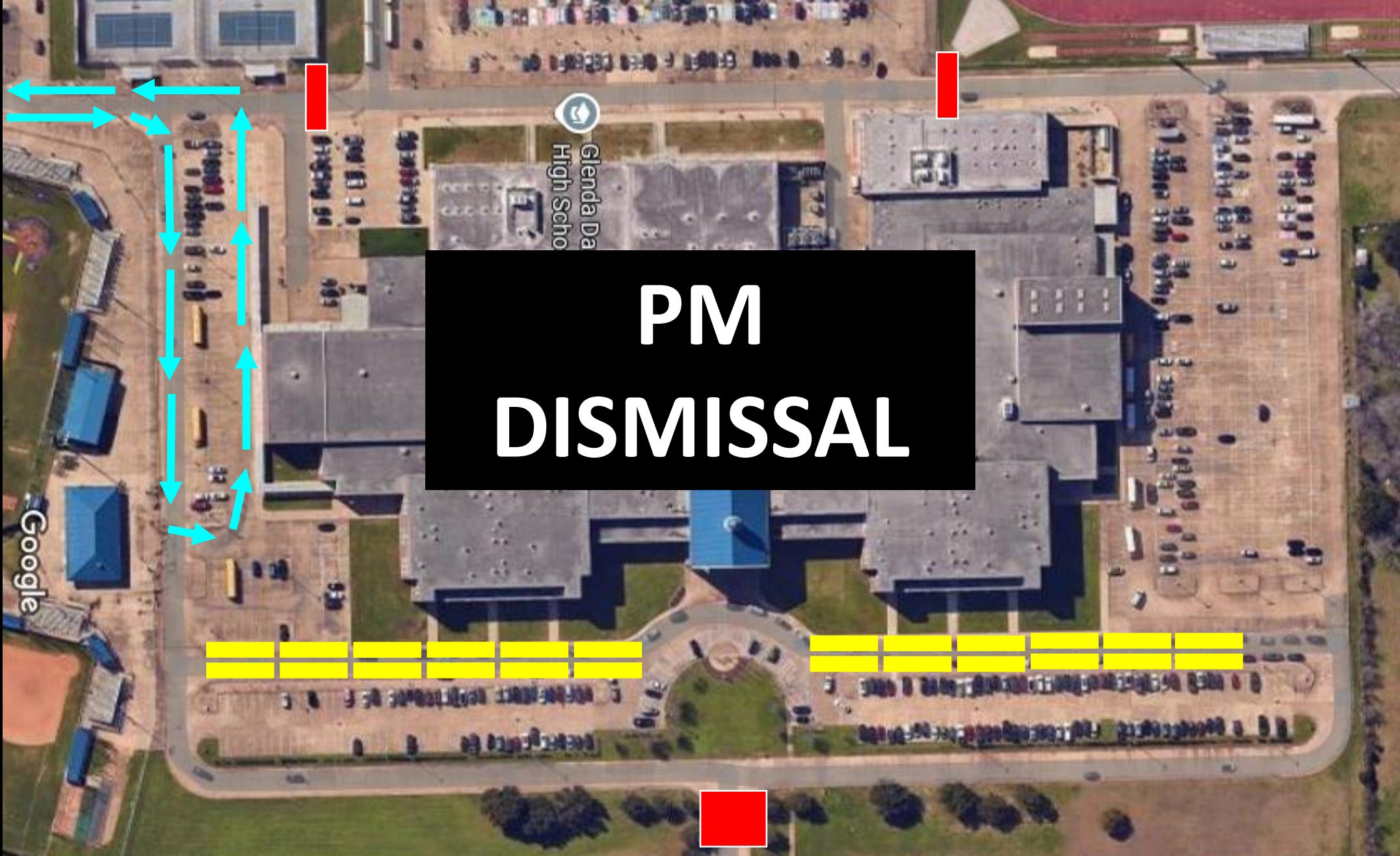
HUGHES RANCH ROAD (PARENT PICK UP)

AM DROP
OFF

CULLEN PKWY (BUSES ONLY)



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Events

District Policy is students must be picked up from school events within 30 minutes of it ending:

Athletic events, fine arts, Flock Party,
Homecoming etc.

If a student is not picked up, Pearland PD will be contacted.

HIGH SCHOOL AWARENESS

Pearland Police Department / SRO

We have two, full-time, Pearland PD officers on campus.

Must be notified in every incident when a potential law is broken: assault, drugs, theft, threats, etc.

Have the right, by law, to talk to/question your student without parent presence or permission.

As a courtesy, school administration will let you know when your child has been questioned by one of the police officers.

Threats

Making a threat (verbal, physical, social media post or text) toward another student, any campus, or staff member is a major offense.

ZERO Tolerance. Once a threat has been made it cannot be taken back.

Police will be involved and may show up at your home.

Prior discipline will not be considered during the investigation.

NICOTINE vs. THC

Vape Devices

Nicotine Vape Devices



THC (Tetrahydrocannabinol)

- Main psychoactive compound in marijuana, extremely potent.
- Dark yellowish color and high viscosity (like honey).
- Types of cartridges we are finding retail for \$20-\$25 in California. Our students are paying \$50+ each.
- We have transported students by EMS due to vaping THC.
- Possession of THC on school grounds (drug-free zone) is a FELONY.

THC Devices



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Vaping / THC

If your child sees a student using or in possession of a vape device they should report it to an administrator or adult immediately.

Being in possession means it belongs to you.

Police will be involved. Possession of THC (controlled substance) on school grounds (drug-free zone) is a FELONY and may result in an arrest.

Vaping / THC

Texas state law (House Bill 114):

ALL vape devices (nicotine & THC) will result in mandatory DAEP placements.

Vape detectors are installed in the restrooms of all Pearland ISD high school campuses and are on 24/7.

Vaping / THC - Consequences

Possession of any device (even empty)
Any other associated paraphernalia

Pearland PD (SROs)
will lead any criminal
investigation

	NICOTINE	THC
1 st Offense	5 days DAEP	30 days DAEP
2 nd Offense	15 days DAEP	Expulsion

All consequences will result in loss of extra-curricular activities.

Let's Talk Numbers...

How many times a day do you think their vape detectors were going off?

ALL students are subject to be searched.

The Newest Dangers



Kratom



MIT45 Boost: Kratom Energy Sho...
MIT45



MIT 45 Boost Bites Kratom...
Epic Wholesale



MIT45 Boost: Kratom Energy Sho...



MIT45 BOOST - Kratom & Kava b...



7OH Pure 7-Hydroxymitragynine...
Discount Vape Pen



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Discount Vape Pen



7-Tabz - 7-OH Extract Tablets | 4...



7OH Pure 7-Hydroxymitragynine...

Crimestoppers

Dawson participates in the Brazoria County Crimestoppers program that is anonymous and gives cash rewards for information that leads to disciplinary action/arrest. Posters and banners are posted throughout the entire building.

Many students want to make reports but are afraid that someone finds out who they are.

Money is awarded directly from a bank which preserves the anonymity of the student.

Social Media / Phones

Do NOT be afraid to check your child's phone regularly!

Many apps that encourage dangerous/unsafe behaviors.

Students have a false sense of security with privacy settings and apps whose messages disappear after viewing etc.

Social Media / Phones

Students often have fake accounts. One account that they show their parents and another account that they are actually using regularly.

Students will sometimes report bullying by another student, but after checking social media there is an extensive history of back and forth between the two students. This is not bullying if both students are saying/posting things about each other.

HOUSE BILL 1481

The state of Texas has passed House Bill 1481, prohibiting the use of all personal electronic devices during the school day.

Cell phones, airpods, headphones, smartwatches, tablets/iPads or personal laptops.

Devices must be off and stored in backpacks/purses/etc. from 7:15 to 2:35.

This includes passing periods, restrooms and Eagle Hour.

HOUSE BILL 1481

First Offense: Device is confiscated and sent to AP office, parent must pick up.

Second Offense: Device is confiscated and sent to AP office, parent must pick up, detention.

Third Offense: Device is confiscated and sent to AP office, parent must pick up, ISS and loss of exemptions.

Parent may pick up phones between 7:00am and 3:00pm

EAGLE HOUR

11:48 – 12:48




60 minutes that stand alone between 5th
and 6th period each day.

Advantages

- Access to five hours of tutorials *during* the school day.
- Students are not rushed to eat lunch.
- Increased student involvement. Club membership has exploded to 62!
- Increased supervision of students during lunches.

Advantages

- Supports RISE mentoring program.
- No conflicts between academics and extra-curricular.
- Transition to student independence. All students are different.

A Capella Family	DECA	Mu Alpha Theta	UIL Journalism
Academic Decathlon	Environment Family	Music NHS	UIL Math
African Am. Cult. Club	eSports	Muslim Student Assoc.	UIL Science
AP Ambassadors	French NHS	NBA Enthusiasts	UIL Social Studies
Art NHS	Foreign Lang. Family	English NHS	UIL Spelling
Asian Culture Club	Future Prob. Solvers	National Honor Society	UIL Writing
Beyond the Nest	Girl Up	Technical NHS	Vinyl Family
Board Game Family	Girls Who Code	Orchestra Family	Wings of Dawson
Card Game Family	HOSA	Red Cross	Women in STEM
Chess Family	Interact	Spanish NHS	Young Life
CITY	Latin American Family	Speech and Debate	Youth & Government
Coll. & Career Writing	Leo's Club	Sports Medicine	
Crochet Cafe	Meditation Family	Student Council	
Dawson Blossoms	Model UN	Student Section	

Eating/Socializing Areas

- Cafeteria
- Hallways on all three floors
- Library
- Classrooms where teachers have given permission



- Gyms
- Locker rooms
- Auditorium
- All stairwells
- Main entrance
- Culinary hallway
- Counseling, ISS, and Life Skills hallways
- In front of elevator on all three floors



School Business

Students do not miss the class for normal school business:

- Pay fines and fees
- Request a transcript, parking permit, etc.
- Turn in an absent note
- Request a VOE
- Purchase tickets to events
- See a counselor

Eagle Hour

Student safety is our number one priority during Eagle Hour.

Campus administration will assign the maximum discipline for inappropriate Eagle Hour behavior.

Eagle Hour is a privilege. If at any point campus administration feels that a student is causing a disruption/safety concern, their Eagle Hour privileges will be taken away.











Additional Info

Dawson High School is a closed campus. Students are not allowed to leave campus at any time without being checked out by a parent/guardian.

Have a pre-planned arrangement if checking out your student during Eagle Hour. Students cannot use phones.

Dawson High School does not allow outside food/birthday gifts/etc. to be delivered by parents or delivery companies.

Information

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
A 11:46 – 12:16					
B 12:16 – 12:46					CLUB Meeting in Progress
					

**ALL Eagle Hour
info can be
found by
accessing the
Dawson
webpage.**

Reflections From Graduating Seniors

Grades count from day 1 (GPA).

Get involved.

Don't stress over the little things, you are not alone.

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Jason Karim

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Looking forward to a great year!



1393 days until
the Class of '29
graduates!

The next four will fly by...